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FOLLOWING SENT SECSTATE WASHDC FROM STOCKHOLM 08 FEB 74:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L STOCKHOLM 546

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, SW

SUBJECT: MARCUS WALLENBERG ON EDELSTAM VISIT

REF: STOCKHOLM 544

1. I SAT AT LUNCH TODAY WITH MARCUS WALLENBERG IMMEDIATELY AFTER MY CALL ON WACHTMEISTER (REFTEL). WALLENBERG, WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM TRIP TO NEW YORK, SAID HE UNDERSTOOD PROSPECTS FOR EXCHANGE OF AMBASSADORS SOON WAS GOOD. I SAID SITUATION DID SEEM TO HAVE PROMISING ASPECTS BUT I WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE EDELSTAM TRIP.

2. WALLENBERG KNEW NOTHING ABOUT EDELSTAM TRIP AND ASKED ME TO ELABORATE. I DESCRIBED SITUATION AND GAVE A SHORT SUMMARY OF EDELSTAM COMMENTS TO PRESS LAST WEEKEND. WALLENBERG QUESTIONED ME CLOSELY ON DETAILS. AT END HE SAID, "THIS IS CONFIDENTIAL

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REDICULOUS - REALLY RIDICULOUS." I SAID IT WOULD INDEED BE

A SHAME TO THROW THINGS OFF TRACK FOR THIS.

3. WALLENBERG GRUNTED.

4. COMMENT: HE HAS BEEN KNOWN TO CALL UP PALME AND SPEAK
TO HIM BLUNTLY WHEN HE THINKS BASIC SWEDISH INTERESTS ARE
INVOLVED. WHETHER HE MIGHT IN THIS CASE, NO ONE KNOWS.
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